

Case A - Evaluation by the "Italy Start-up Visa" Committee

STAGE 1

The applicant:

- a) downloads the application form for a "Certificate of No Impediment" from the "Italy Start-up Visa" Technical Committee's website (italiastartupvisa.gov.it). The applicant then completes the form, including their educational and employment history and detailed information regarding their business idea and model, the type of product or service they plan to develop, and their market. The applicant then sends the completed form electronically to the Committee.
- b) obtains documentary evidence from their funding body (business angel, venture capital, bank, certified incubator etc.) showing that they possess proven or certified financial resources of at least 50,000 euros to develop the innovative start-up. This documentation should also be sent to the Committee by email. In the case of funding from certified incubators, the value of any services in kind that the certified incubator intends to provide for the innovative start-up may be included in the total amount.

STEP 2

The "Italy Start-up Visa" Technical Committee:

- a) evaluates the "Certification of No Impediment" application form and checks that the documentation demonstrating that the applicant has financial resources of at least 50,000 euros is truthful and genuine.
- b) obtains – if its evaluation is positive – a provisional Certificate of No Impediment for entry to Italy on the applicant's behalf. This certificate is issued by the Questura responsible for the locality where the applicant intends to set up their business.
- c) as soon as point b) has been completed, issues a Certificate of No Impediment (which also states that the Questura has issued a provisional Certificate of No Impediment for entry purposes) to the applicant. The Committee notifies the applicant and the applicant's diplomatic-consular mission electronically and also informs the "Italy Start-up Visa" contact points in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Ministry of Home Affairs and the Ministry of Employment and Social Policy.

STEP 3

The applicant:

- a) obtains the Committee's Certificate of No Impediment electronically.
- b) provides evidence that they have found suitable accommodation, in accordance with Article 26 of Legislative Decree 286/1998.
- c) provides evidence that in the previous 12 months their income, from lawful sources, in their country of residence was higher than the minimum level envisaged by the Italian law governing exemption from co-payment of health service costs.
- d) delivers the originals of the documents referred to in points a), b) and c) to their diplomatic-consular mission, along with the application form for the Committee's Certificate of No Impediment and the documentation showing that they possess the required minimum financial resources, to apply for an entry visa to Italy.

STEP 4

The diplomatic-consular mission:

- a) receives the visa application from the applicant, complete with the required documents (originals, not photocopies), and carries out the checks for which the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and its Consular Offices abroad are responsible. It then issues a "self-employment start-up" visa and informs the Committee it has done so.

STEP 5

The applicant:

- a) submits a formal application for a residence permit to the Questura responsible for the town or city where they will be living. The application must be submitted no more than eight (8) days following their arrival in Italy.

Case B: Undertaking by certified incubator to host the innovative start-up that the applicant plans to establish.

STAGE 1
<p>The applicant:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) obtains an agreement from a certified incubator that said incubator is willing to host them in its premises or structures so that they can start up an innovative enterprise. The applicant then downloads the “undertaking to host” form from the “Italy Start-up Visa” Technical Committee’s website (italiastartupvisa.gov.it) and sends it to the incubator for completion.b) obtains documentary evidence from their funding body (business angel, venture capital, bank, certified incubator etc.) showing that they possess proven or certified financial resources of at least 50,000 euros to develop the innovative start-up. This documentation should also be sent to the Committee by email. In the case of funding from certified incubators, the value of any services in kind that the certified incubator intends to provide for the innovative start-up may be included in the total amount.
STEP 2
<p>The certified incubator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) duly completes the “undertaking to host” form, which must be signed by its legal representative, and sends it electronically to the applicant and to the Committee.
STEP 3
<p>The “Italy Start-up Visa” Technical Committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) receives the undertaking from the certified incubator electronically and checks that the documentation demonstrating that the applicant has the minimum required financial resources is truthful and genuine.b) obtains a provisional Certificate of No Impediment for entry to Italy electronically on behalf of the applicant. This certificate is issued by the Questura responsible for the locality where the applicant intends to set up their business.c) as soon as point b) has been completed, issues its Certificate of No Impediment, which contains the notification that the Questura has issued its own provisional Certificate of No Impediment for entry purposes. It notifies the applicant and the incubator electronically and at

the same time informs the "Italy Start-up Visa" contact points in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Ministry of Home Affairs and the Ministry of Employment and Social Policy and the applicant's diplomatic-consular mission.

STEP 4

The applicant:

- a) receives the Committee's Certificate of No Impediment electronically.
- b) provides evidence that they have found suitable accommodation, in accordance with Article 26 of Legislative Decree 286/1998.
- c) provides evidence that in the previous 12 months their income, from lawful sources, in their country of residence was higher than the minimum level envisaged by the law governing exemption from co-payment of health service costs.
- d) delivers the originals of the documents referred to in points a), b) and c) to their diplomatic-consular mission, along with the declaration provided by the certified incubator and the documentation showing that they possess the required minimum financial resources, to apply for an entry visa to Italy.

STEP 5

The diplomatic-consular mission:

- a) receives the visa application from the applicant, complete with the required documents (originals, not photocopies), and carries out the checks for which the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and its Consular Offices abroad are responsible. It then issues a "self-employment start-up" visa and informs the Committee it has done so.

STEP 6

The applicant:

- a) submits a formal application for a residence permit to the Questura responsible for the town or city where they will be living. The application must be submitted no more than eight (8) days following their entry to Italy.